

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of )  
LYTLE et al ) Examiner: K. Nguyen  
Serial No.: 09/675,038 ) Group Art Unit: 2839  
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For: SERVICEABLE AUXILIARY )  
MOUNT )

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the first office action of September 13, 2001 which rejected claims 1-10, 12, and 13-17 under 35 USC § 103 and indicated claims 11 and 18 as being allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

In the Written Description

Please amend this application so that the second full paragraph on page 8, reads as follows:

According to the preferred embodiment of the invention, a third connector body 16 may also be connected to the first connector body 12. The third connector body 16 is constructed and arranged to be releasably received in the connector slot 48 in the first connector body 12. As best shown in Fig. 4, the third connector body 16 has opposed end walls 106 and opposed front and rear walls 108, 110 extending between the end walls 106. The front and rear walls 108, 110 have bayonets 112 with a base 113, a generally cylindrical portion 114 extending outwardly and generally orthogonally from the base 113, and an enlarged, flat head 116 extending from the cylindrical portion 114 and generally parallel to the walls 108, 110. In assembly, the bayonets 112 are